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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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Attorney Docket No. 10001.001500 (NVLS 696)

First Inventor Henner W. Meinhold

Title SENSOR FOR DETECTING DROPLET
CHARACTERISTICS

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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 16]
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
 - Descriptive title of the Invention
 - Cross Reference to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 8]
5. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 3]
 - a. ☒ Newly executed (original or copy)
 - b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d))
(for a continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
 - i. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)
 - a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
 - b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
 - i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
 - ii. ☐ paper
 - c. ☐ Statements verifying identity of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATIONS PARTS

9. ☒ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 C.F.R. §3.73(b) Statement ☒ Power of Attorney
(when there is an assignee)
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
13. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
(Should be specifically itemized)
15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)
(if foreign priority is claimed)
16. ☒ Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.
17. ☐ Other: _____

18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP)

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Application Number: not yet known
Filing Date: March 1, 2002
First Named Inventor: Henner W. Meinhold
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☐ Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
		101	740	201	370	Utility filing fee	740
		106	330	206	165	Design filing fee	
		107	510	207	255	Plant filing fee	
		108	740	208	370	Reissue filing fee	
		114	160	214	80	Provisional filing fee	

SUBTOTAL (1)

(\$ 740)

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Total Claims	26	-20	=	6	X	Fee from below	18	=	Fee Paid	108
Independent Claims	5	-3	=	2	X	84	=	168		
Multiple Dependent					X			=	0	

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description
		103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20
		102	84	202	42	Independent claims in excess of 3
		104	280	204	140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
		109	84	209	42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
		110	18	210	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

SUBTOTAL (2)

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FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

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		105	130	205	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
		127	50	227	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet.	
		139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	
		147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for reexamination	
		112	920*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
		113	1,840*	113	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
		115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	
		116	400	216	200	Extension for reply within second month	
		117	920	217	460	Extension for reply within third month	
		118	1,440	218	720	Extension for reply within fourth month	
		128	1,960	228	980	Extension for reply within fifth month	
		119	320	219	160	Notice of Appeal	
		120	320	220	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
		121	280	221	140	Request for oral hearing	
		138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
		140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
		141	1,280	241	640	Petition to revive - unintentional	
		142	1,280	242	640	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
		143	460	243	230	Design issue fee	
		144	620	244	310	Plant issue fee	
		122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
		123	50	123	50	Petitions related to provisional applications	
		126	180	126	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
		581	40	581	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	40
		146	740	246	370	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
		149	740	249	370	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
		179	740	279	370	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
		169	900	169	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee (specify) _____

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SUBTOTAL (3)

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 UNDER
 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)**

First Named Inventor	Henner W. Meinhold
Title	SENSOR FOR DETECTING DROPLET CHARACTERISTICS
Atty Docket Number	10001.001500 (NVLS 696)

I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not be** the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing. I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

March 1, 2002

Date

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